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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Commerce and Integration of the Republic of Ecuador and has the honor to refer to the Air Transport Agreement, with Annexes, signed by representatives of our two Governments at Washington on September 26, 1986 (and the 1986 Agreement), which permits immediate operations in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

The Embassy has the further honor to also refer to the exchange of notes at Quito on October 23 and December 19, 1995, which modified Annex I to the 1986 Agreement; to the exchange of notes at Quito on July 15, 2002, which further modified Annex I to the 1986 Agreement; and to the exchange of notes at Quito on September 17 and December 26, 2008, which extended application of Annexes I and II to the 1986 Agreement (as modified) through June 30, 2009.

DIPLOMATIC NOTE

The Embassy proposes, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, that Annex I to the 1986 Agreement, as modified in 1995 and 2002, and Annex II to the 1986 Agreement, continue to govern air services between the two countries through June 30, 2010.

Finally, the Embassy proposes that, if acceptable to the Government of Ecuador, this note and the Ministry's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Ecuador, which shall enter into force on the date of the Ministry's note in reply, with effect from July 1, 2009.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Commerce and Integration the assurances of its highest and most distinguished consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

Quito, October 15, 2009.

